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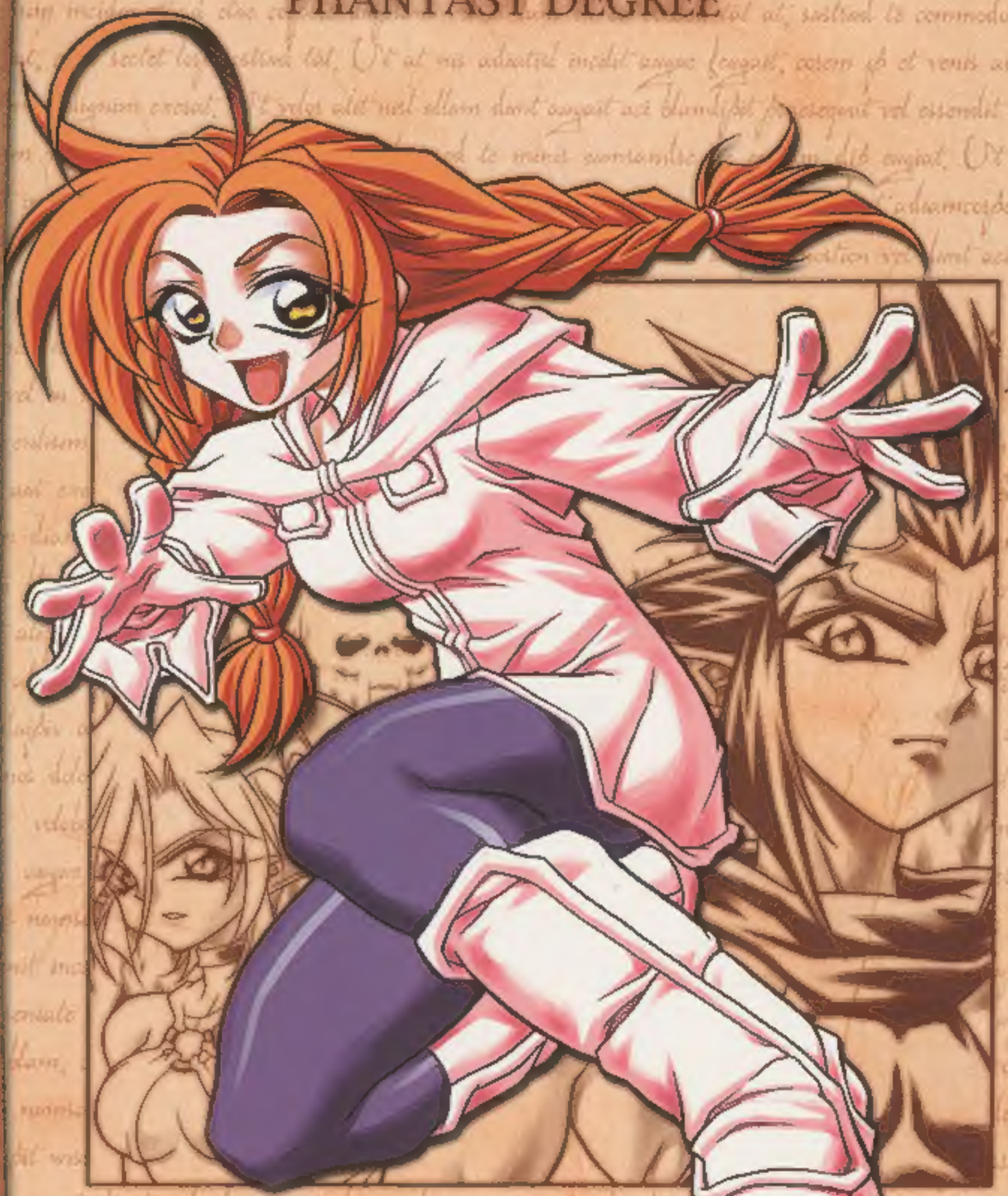

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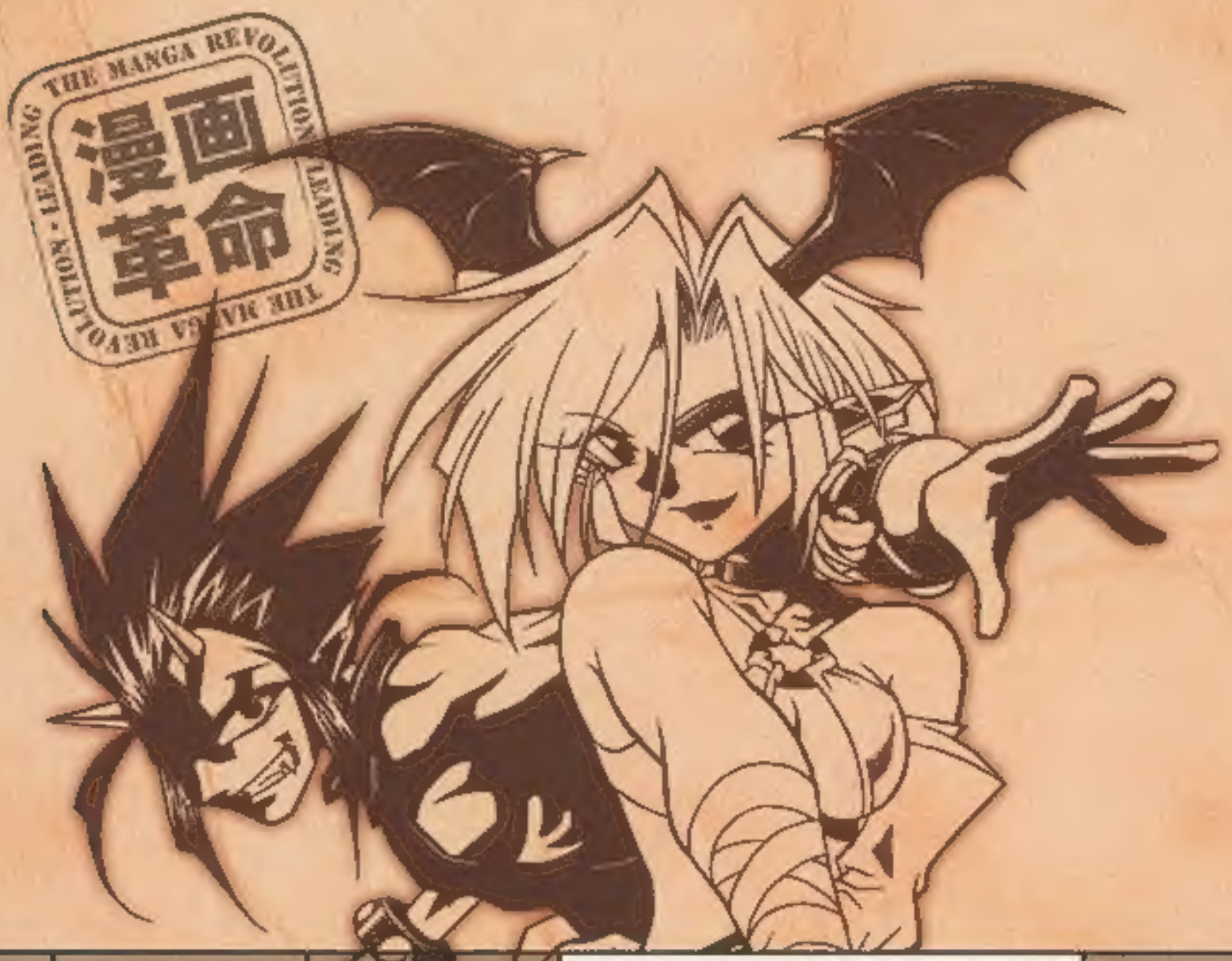

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Quest 1

THUD

BUT THERE'S JUST ONE TINY PROBLEM.

I'M SOOOO HUNGRY THAT I DON'T HAVE ANY STRENGTH TO MOVE.

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PLOP

SLUMP

WHAT A BARREN WASTELAND! I CAN'T FIND A SCRAP OF FOOD ANYWHERE.

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groan

pant pant

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WHAT'S THIS? A LITTLE DOGGIE...?

STARTLED

THAT'S NO DOG! IT'S A WEREWOLF!!

WAG WAG

EEEEEK!!

Hmmm... He's not technically human, so it wouldn't really be like cannibalism...

His meat might be a bit stringy, but it's gotta be chock-full of nutrients!!

GRIN

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???

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pant

ㅈㅓㄴㅅㅏㅇ!

RUB RUB

HEY, NOTHING PERSONAL, FURBALL. I HAVE TO EAT TO SURVIVE, TOO, YA KNOW...

CHOMP CHOMP

GLIMMER TWINKLE

WHAT DOES IT *LOOK* LIKE I'M DOING? I'M PREPARING DINNER.

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?

ISN'T IT MAKING YOUR MOUTH WATER?

CERTAINLY.

BUT I THINK I WANT TO PUT *SOMETHING ELSE* ON THE MENU!

This can't be good.

HA HA HA HA! HEY!

YOU'RE NOT *REALLY* GOING TO EAT ME, ARE YOU?

Y'KNOW, I- I WAS JUST *TEASING* YOUR FURRY FRIEND... HONEST!

HEY, YOU. ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME?!

Damn. I guess I forgot that a school for monsters would actually have real beasties around!

Hmph!

SHHHRED

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING AT, YOU MUTT?! STARING IS SO RUDE!

ROAR!

AAAR-RWOOF?!

AH... WHAT I *MEANT* TO SAY WAS... UH...

WHAT A RARE LITTLE TREAT!

SUCH A JUICY-LOOKING HUMAN! MAY I HAVE A *TASTE* OF YOUR *BLOOD*?

Y-Y-YOU'RE A VAM-VAM-VAMPIRE?!

rumble

BOOAHH!

WHAT'S THIS GUY SUPPOSED TO BE? A ZOMBIE? A MUMMY?

...

What'chu starin at?

SWIVEL SWIVEL

SAVE THE SKIN FOR ME!

ARE WE CAPABLE OF SHARING?

YES. *I* JUST WANT THE *BLOOD*.

pant pant I'LL TAKE THE LEFTOVER BONES.

Sigh...

Is this how my life is supposed to end? As a buffet table?

EXCUSE ME. SINCE I'M GONNA DIE ANYWAY, CAN I JUST ASK A FEW QUESTIONS?

Yokai

Sigh...

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO KNOW?

IS THERE A PREP SCHOOL FOR MONSTERS CALLED "HADES" SOMEWHERE AROUND HERE?

YES.

WE'RE STUDENTS THERE.

P.E.

STUDENTS? HA! WERE YOU EXPELLED? IS *THAT* WHY YOU'RE NOT IN CLASS?

THEY'RE PLAYING HOOKY, I SUPPOSE.

HMM... I MIGHT AS WELL HAVE SOME FUN BEFORE I GO...

HEY, YOU MANGY MUTT, C'MERE!

HUH- WOOF?

WOW. YOU REALLY *ARE* A DOG.

IT'S *SHOCKING* HOW OBEDIENT YOU ARE!

DUMB ASS.

HE *DOES* HAVE A NAME.

IT'S LUKAN. CALL HIM THAT.

WHIMPERS

REALLY? ALL RIGHT, THEN.

Even his name sounds like a dog's name.

ANYWAY...

HEY, MUTTY MUTT!

WAH-WROOF?

DON'T ANSWER TO THAT! YOU STUPID FLEABAG!

STOP FOOLING AROUND! DO YOU HAVE ANY LAST WORDS?

WELL, COULD YOU DROP THE TOUGH-GUY ACT FOR A MINUTE?

SERIOUSLY, HAVE YOU GUYS EVER *REALLY* EATEN A HUMAN?

FROZEN

I MEAN, I CAN'T SMELL *ANY* HUMAN BLOOD ON YOU.

FOR EXAMPLE, TAKE A LOOK AT THAT "WEREWOLF"... HE'S ABOUT AS DANGEROUS AS A SQUIRREL.

Say what you want, but have *you* tried stealing a squirrel's nuts? It can get pretty ugly.

SO...HE LIVES ON, LIKE, RATS AND STUFF, RIGHT?

THERE'S *NO WAY* HE'S EVER HUNTED ANY-THING *CLOSE* TO A HUMAN BEING.

NOD NOD

THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT...

IT'S HARD TO BE SCARY WITH *THAT* FURFACE AROUND!

AND THAT GUY NEXT TO YOU... WITH THE BANDAGES...

WHO? ME?

YOU'RE AS INTIMIDATING AS A PAPYRUS DOLL. YOU REALLY PUT THE "RAG" IN RAGTAG.

MOST MUMMIES I'VE SEEN ARE ROTTING IN SARCOPHAGUSES, AND THEY'RE LIVELIER THAN YOU! DO MUMMIES EVEN EAT FLESH? I THOUGHT THAT'S WHAT ZOMBIES DID. AT LEAST ZOMBIES CAN INSPIRE SOME FEAR.

HEY, YOU! WITH THE BABY FANGS! YOU'RE NOT EVEN A PURE-BLOODED VAMPIRE, ARE YOU? I BET YOU WERE BITTEN BY ANOTHER VAMPIRE, RIGHT?

Mm-hmm.

AND YOU, GOAT BOY! ARE YOU SUPPOSED TO BE A DEMON? WITH HORNS THAT STUBBY, YOU'RE NOTHING BUT AN IMPOTENT IMP! HONESTLY, ARE YOU EVEN CAPABLE OF CASTING MAGIC?

WHAT A BUNCH OF SAD SACKS! PATHETIC!

YOU'RE A BUNCH OF DEMON SCHOOL SLACKERS, AREN'T YOU? JUST A GROUP OF BELOW-AVERAGE BEELZEBUBS! AM I RIGHT?

AHWOOOOO!

I'LL TAKE THAT AS A YES.

AWW, WHATEVER. I ADMIRE YOUR DEVIL-MAY-CARE ATTITUDE!

SO, C'MON, SHOW ME YOUR SCHOOL!

HOW-HOW DID YOU GET LOOSE?

WELL... I DON'T *REALLY* MIND BEING TIED UP ALL *THAT* MUCH...

You just didn't tie it very tight.

그전

AMAZING! THOSE KNOTS WERE ESCAPE-PROOF!

YOU WANT *US* TO GIVE *YOU* A TOUR OF HADES? DON'T BE RIDICU-LOUS.

DO YOU ACTUALLY THINK A *HUMAN* WOULD EVEN GET PAST OUR SCHOOL'S *FRONT DOOR?*

I SUPPOSE YOU HAVE A POINT.

scratch

OH! I HAVE AN IDEA!

GRAB

WHOA... ♥

O-OUCH...

.....

HMMM...

THIS MIGHT JUST WORK!

ARE HUMANS *ALWAYS* THIS WEIRD?

YOU'VE JUST BEEN BITTEN BY A *VAMPIRE*...AND YOU *BARELY* BAT A LASH?

HEY, I'VE BEEN BITTEN BY *WORSE* THINGS BESIDES, *YOUR* VAMPIRE MIND TRICKS WON'T *WORK* ON *ME!* NO VAMPIRE CAN BEND ME TO HIS WILL.

NOTHING SADDER THAN A REMEDIAL BLOOD-SUCKER

PANT PANT

HEY! THAT TICKLES!

ARE YOU TRYING TO LICK MY WOUNDS FOR ME?

AWW, YOU'RE SUCH A CUTIE! CAN I KEEP YOU?

ALL RIGHT! I'M READY!

LEAD THE WAY! DEMON SCHOOL HADES, GET READY TO MEET THE "NEW KID"!

New kid? She's not seriously going to enroll, is she?

We're not seriously going to take her, are we?

DEV.
THE DEVIL.

MORDICUS.
THE VAMPIRE.

PANNUS
TYRANNUS.
THE MUMMY.

LUKAN. THE
WEREWOLF.

YOU'RE
ALL NOTH-
ING...

...BUT
FLUNKIES.

HEY! CAN'T
MY BIG
BROTHER CUT
ME SOME
SLACK?

YOU'RE BEING
A BIT HARSH,
FATALIS.
IT'S TOTALLY
UNCALLED FOR!

Zo.

WHEN YOU'RE
AT SCHOOL, I
AM *NOT* YOUR
BIG BROTHER!

Here,
you are
to call me
"Teacher

IF YOU RAN YOUR MOUTH *THAT
WELL* DURING YOUR ORAL EXAMS,
YOU *MIGHT ACTUALLY* HAVE A
DECENT GRADE POINT AVERAGE. OF
COURSE, YOU'RE ALL DOOMED
FOR DITCHING YOUR FINALS.

YOU GUYS ARE TOO MUCH. I CAN'T *BELIEVE* YOU PLAYED HOOKY DURING YOUR FINALS.

SO WHAT, THERE'S ALWAYS A MAKE-UP TEST.

whimper

HUH?

YOU THERE! I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU HERE BEFORE!

WHERE?

WHO?

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I'M REFERRING TO YOU, MISSY!

I FOUND HER WANDERING AROUND... SO I TURNED HER INTO A VAMPIRE!

Huh? Oh! He really was talking about me!

I'M SANG! THE VAMPIRE!

IT'S A PLEASURE TO MEET YOU!

.....

SO...WHAT EXACTLY DO YOU WANT?

I'VE COME TO OBSERVE THE EXCELLENT DEMON SCHOOL HADES!!

IF NEED BE, I'LL EVEN REGISTER FOR SOME CLASSES, TOO!

NOT JUST *ANYONE* CAN ATTEND CLASSES AT HADES.

THIS LEARNING INSTITUTION ONLY ACCEPTS THE *CREAM OF THE CROP.*

CREAM OF THE CROP?

LIKE *THESE GUYS?*

WHAT? STOP LOOKING AT ME LIKE THAT!

WHERE DID YOU FIND *THAT* NOVICE? DO WE EVEN *HAVE* SPECIAL-ED CLASSES?

HEY! NOTRA!

Whoa! That ring...!!

Quest 2

WHERE IN THE WORLD HAVE YOU BEEN?

EVEN IF YOU GIVE ME PERMISSION, IT'S DIFFICULT TO FORGET YOU'RE A WOMAN OF HIGH STATION

I JUST DON'T WANT TO BE *CONSTANTLY* REMINDED.

WHERE DO YOU THINK *YOU'RE* GOING, DEV?

HA HA! UM... THE BATHROOM?

LADY...

I TOLD YOU *NOT* TO CALL ME "LADY"! JUST CALL ME NOTRA!

STARTLED

IF YOU'RE LYING...

...YOU *KNOW* WHAT WILL HAPPEN, RIGHT?

OH, UH.. THE THING IS...I GUESS I DON'T REALLY HAVE TO GO ANYMORE.

SIMPLE-MINDED FOOL.

WHAT'S THE MATTER? YOU LOOK SO SERIOUS.

HUH? OH... NO. IT'S NOTHING.

AND THEN THERE'S YOU!

NERVOUS

I can't believe she's wearing that ring! It's definitely what I think it is!

SORRY, FANG-FACE. LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE IN BIG TROUBLE.

She's looking at you

YES, YOU LITTLE PIG-TAILED WEIRDO! I'M TALKING TO YOU!

SO, MISSY, DO YOU FANCY YOURSELF AN ADVENTURER? YOU JUST WANDER STRANGE REALMS, AND HAVE NO QUALMS ABOUT BEING TURNED INTO A VAMPIRE?

WHAT WOULD A HUMAN WANT IN THESE LANDS, ANYWAY?

Let the interrogation begin..

HMMM... WHY AM I HERE? THE TRUTH IS...

WHY *DID* I COME HERE?

How should I know?

AARGH!

YOU CHEEKY WHELP!

MORDICUS! TAKE THAT GIRL OUT OF HERE!

I'VE HAD TOO MUCH FOR ONE DAY!

DON'T PLAY COY WITH ME! DO YOU THINK I'M JOKING AROUND HERE?

LET'S GO.

WHAT'S WRONG WITH HER? IS SHE *ALWAYS* LIKE THAT?

YOU INSOLENT INCUBUS! STOP RIGHT THERE!!

OH .. HEY! I THOUGHT I WOULD... AH--

DEV!!

COME HERE.

CAN'T WE TALK LATER?

TEE HEE

TROT TROT TROT

Y-YES...OF COURSE. I AM *ALWAYS* AT YOUR BECK AND CALL.

RAGNACK

AMAZING! THIS PLACE IS HUGE!

YOUR SCHOOL IS *ENORMOUS*, BUT HOW COME I HAVEN'T SEEN A *SINGLE* STUDENT?

MAHGAE?

ACTUALLY, WE'RE VERY CLOSE TO A TUNNEL THAT LEADS TO THE MAHGAE.

Hmmm. Mahgae.

WHEN WE'RE NOT IN CLASS, MOST OF US STUDENTS GO BACK TO THE MAHGAE.

THAT'S NOT *NECESSARILY* TRUE, IS IT?

WHAT?

WHEN CLASS ENDS, I BET THERE *ARE* PLENTY OF *GOOD* STUDENTS WHO HURRY BACK HOME.

BUT LOOK AT *THOSE THREE* UP THERE. THEY SEEM VERY *BAD*.

HOW DID *THAT* HAPPEN? I THOUGHT WE WERE COMPLETELY HIDDEN...

HMPH! SHE MUST HAVE *SENSED US* SOMEHOW.

YOU CREEPS! YOU WERE WAITING FOR US!

YOU SHOULD BE FLATTERED! IT CAN'T BE TOO OFTEN THAT PEOPLE AS IMPORTANT AS *US* WAIT AROUND FOR LOSERS LIKE *YOU*.

STOMP

HEY, YOU GUYS!

HELLO, MORDICUS. YOU'RE SOOOO OBSERVANT.

I told you they were a bunch of half-wits.

WE WOULD HAVE *TOTALLY* SURPRISED THEM IF IT WEREN'T FOR THAT GIRL.

HEY, FOR *ONCE*, YOU SHOULD *TRY* TO DO SOMETHING WITHOUT DEV AROUND.

NOT THAT WE'RE REALLY WORRIED ABOUT *THAT* PIPSQUEAK.

HMM...THAT'S TRUE.

RUFFIANS LIKE DEV ARE *THE LEAST* OF OUR WORRIES--THE *REAL* PROBLEM IS HIS BIG BROTHER.

WHY DOES NOTRA KEEP PROTECTING A RASCAL LIKE HIM?!

DEV IS A DISGRACE TO DEMON-KIND.

SINCE YOU'RE AS WEAK AS HUMANS, THIS FIGHT IS GONNA BE A BREEZE!

I DON'T GET IT. ARE THEY AFRAID OF DEV OR NOT?

YOU LITTLE SNOT! DID YOU UNDERSTAND *ANYTHING* WE JUST SAID?

YEAH

TWITCH

ALL OF YOU SHOULD HANG YOUR HEADS IN SHAME!

I MEAN, HOW CAN YOU TAKE THE SAME CLASSES AS US *DEMONS* WHEN YOU'RE JUST A BUNCH OF *FOURTH-RATE FREAKS!*

GRRRRR!

HMPH! ARE YOU SAYING THAT YOU WANT TO TAKE US ON?!

THANKS FOR THE BANDAGE.

BUT THIS WOUND HAS HEALED.

THERE'S *ALWAYS* A BUNCH OF GUYS THAT THINK THEY'RE TOO COOL FOR SCHOOL.

DO YOU GUYS *REALLY* THINK YOU'RE THAT *GREAT?*

YOU'RE BUTTING INTO OUR BUSINESS, *LITTLE GIRL.*

YOU'RE ALL NOTHING BUT A WHINY PACK OF LOW-CLASS MONSTERS!

AND YOU GUYS ARE NOTHING BUT A BUNCH OF PATHETIC BULLIES! YOU'RE NOT SCARY--YOU'RE LAUGHABLE!

...

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?

DO YOU WANT TO FIGHT US IN THEIR PLACE?

Quest 3

UH...NO. JUST MAKING SOME OBSERVATIONS.

UH-OH... I THINK THEY WANT TO FIGHT YOU GUYS.

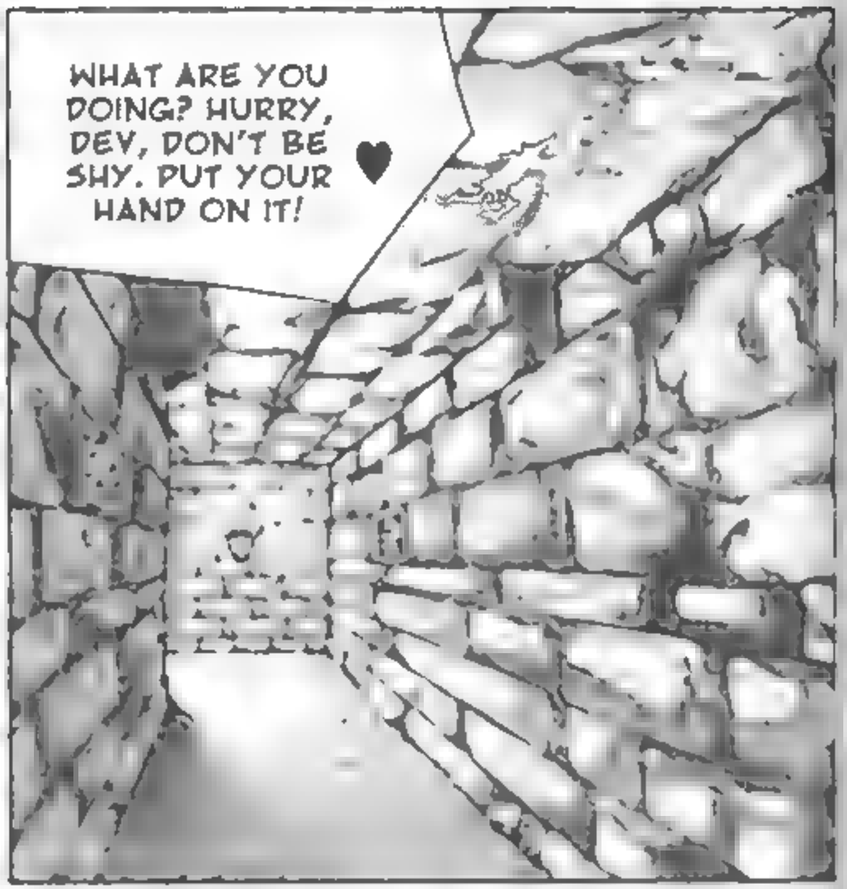
slump

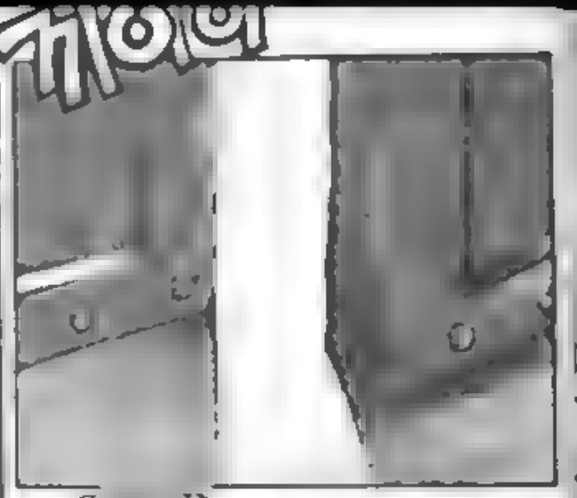
STOMP

ARE YOU TEASING US?! YOU MOUTHY PIECE OF FILTH!

I'M GONNA KNOCK THEM FLAT WITH ONE BLOW!!

HUH? ME TOO?


WHAT ARE YOU DOING? HURRY, DEV, DON'T BE SHY. PUT YOUR HAND ON IT!



YES! IT OPENED!

HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN?
DO-DO YOU KNOW WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF WE GET CAUGHT MARCHING INTO THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE LIKE THIS?

UH...WH-WHAT IF SOMEONE SEES US...?

IT'S ALL RIGHT. I'LL TAKE FULL RESPONSIBILITY.

I-I M NERVOUS EVEN THOUGH WE'VE DONE SOMETHING LIKE THIS BEFORE...

HOW SHOULD I KNOW? YOU'RE THE ONE WHO OPENED THE DOOR
H-HEY!!

I ONLY OPENED THE DOOR BECAUSE YOU *TOLD ME TO*, NOTRA

ONLY THE PRINCIPAL OR ADVANCED STUDENTS SHOULD BE ABLE TO OPEN THAT DOOR.

IT IS A LITTLE STRANGE THAT *YOU* CAN OPEN ALMOST *ANY* DOOR, THOUGH.

ANYWAY, I CERTAINLY COULDN'T OPEN IT!

...THE VIEW FROM HERE.

THIS IS NOT FAIR ..

WHY IS IT THAT YOU KEEP INSISTING ON SNEAKING INTO THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE LIKE THIS?

BECAUSE I *LIKE*...

HUH?

I FEEL LIKE I'M ON TOP OF THE WORLD WHEN I'M UP HERE.

HA HA. IS THAT SO?

They say only angels and snobs like lofty place and you're no angel.

DEV!

YOU DITCH CLASS AND ROMP AROUND OUTSIDE *A LOT*, DON'T YOU?

HUH?

WELL.. NOT *THAT* OFTEN...

WHAT'S IT LIKE OUT THERE?

LET'S SEE...

WELL, FIRST OF ALL, THOSE LANDS ARE RIGHT NEXT TO THE MAHGAE, SO THERE'S NOT MUCH OF A DIFFERENCE.

Hmmm...

BUT A LOT OF TIMES YOU ENCOUNTER THINGS THAT YOU WOULD *NEVER* SEE IN THE MAHGAE

DO YOU THINK YOU COULD TAKE ME THERE SOMETIME?

ARE YOU CRAZY?! IF I GET CAUGHT, I'M DEAD!

I CAN BEAT YOU UP FIRST, AND *FORCE* YOU TO DO IT...OR YOU CAN JUST DO IT WITHOUT ANY *PAIN*. YOUR CHOICE

EVEN IF YOU TRY TO MAKE ME, IT'S JUST NOT POSSIBLE!!

IT'S THE LAST REQUEST I'LL EVER ASK OF YOU...

HEE HEE

WHAT? DOESN'T YOUR MOM--I MEAN, LADY BELLPEGORE--*FORBID* YOU FROM LEAVING THE GROUNDS?

THAT'S WHY I'M TELLING *YOU* THIS.

DEV, I WANT YOU TO KIDNAP ME!

WHAT?

The last...?

HISSSSSS!

TEK

CH

SMACK

...!!

IT'S USELESS TO STRUGGLE AGAINST ME!

I THINK IT'S TIME WE NEUTERED THIS MONGREL!

WHIMPER!

YOU'RE PRETTY FAST...

BUT, THE THING IS...

POW

GRRRR!

...MY EYES CAN DETECT *EVERYTHING.*

ARRRGHH!

UGH!

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NEOPHYTE...

FROM NOW ON, PAY CLOSER ATTENTION TO YOUR SURROUNDINGS. GOT IT?!

HEH HEH! YOU TOOK LONGER THAN I THOUGHT YOU WOULD, KATANA.

WHATEVER!

WHERE DID THE LAST ONE GO?

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? WE TOOK CARE OF ALL THREE OF THEM

I'M TALKING ABOUT THAT HUMAN-LOOKING GIRL.

SHE VANISHED WHILE WE WERE FIGHTING.

HUH? NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT, I DON'T SENSE HER ANYWHERE.

Hmm...

IF WE RUN INTO THAT WORTHLESS REDHEADED CREATURE AGAIN, I'LL MAKE SURE SHE'S DEAD

I HOPE YOU'RE RIGHT, HAMMER.

BECAUSE THAT "CREATURE" *IS A HUMAN!*

A HUMAN? SHE LOOKED LIKE A VAMPIRE TO ME.

SHE REEKED OF *HUMAN* FLESH.

Heh heh!

ARE YOU SURE? HUMANS *CAN* BECOME VAMPIRES, KATANA.

SMELLS HUMAN. LOOKS LIKE A VAMPIRE I'D BET ANYTHING, THAT SHE'S A HUMAN WHO'S JUST BEEN TURNED!

YEAH...THAT'S RIGHT! I DON'T THINK *THAT'S* WHAT HE WAS SAYING, AT ALL.

C'MON, KATANA, LET'S NOT FIGHT AMONGST OURSELVES...

GRIP

HRRRUK!

flip

GASP!

COUGH!

CRACKLE

ARE YOU...

...SAYING THAT *I'M WRONG?*

CHOKE

GUHRK!

THAT'S-THAT'S *N-NOT* WHAT I M-MEANT TO SAY...

SLUMP

GO FIND HER! SHE COULDN'T HAVE GONE VERY FAR!

O-OKAY...

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HMMM...

I THINK THE PAIN IS PRETTY MUCH GONE.

SMACK

SCRATCH SCRATCH

I RAN OFF WITHOUT ANY PLAN, AND NOW I'M TOTALLY LOST!

BUT WHERE AM I?

IF THERE'S *LIGHT* COMING FROM SOMEWHERE..

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..THERE *MUST* BE A WAY OUT!

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!!

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STEP STEP

IS THERE SOMEONE ELSE HERE?

Quest 4

MARRIED? WHO IN THE WORLD TO?!

WITH THE SON OF BAAL, THE SUPREME COMMANDER OF HELL...

I'VE NEVER EVEN *MET* HIM, BUT MY MOTHER HAS DECREED THAT IT SHALL BE...

BESIDES, I JUST *LOVE* THIS ENGAGEMENT RING.

JUST TELL EVERYONE YOU WON'T DO IT!

I'M AFRAID IT'S PROBABLY TOO LATE.

!!

WHAT DOES THAT MEAN? ARE YOU? OR AREN'T YOU?

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO?

ANGRY

...

KIOI GRIN

WELL...ONCE I MEET HIM, IT MIGHT BE DIFFERENT!

THE RUMOR IS THAT HE'S *EXTREMELY* GOOD-LOOKING, *AND* HE'S A YOUNG ARISTOCRAT, TOO!

GACK!

...

WHY ARE YOU SO UPSET? WHY DO *YOU* CARE IF I GET MARRIED OR NOT?

HUH?

THEN-THEN, NOTRA, YOU'RE ACTUALLY *CONSIDERING* IT?!

YES. *BUT*...

BADUMP

HA HA! WEEEEELL, THE THING IS... AH...

HOW CAN I SAY THIS...? UH...I J-JUST THINK THAT A PERSON SHOULD BE ABLE TO VOICE HER *OWN* OPINION...

...DEV, IF YOU TELL ME NOT TO...

...I WON'T.

HUH?

I...I DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO MAKE SUCH A DECISION...

HEH HEH HEH! THERE'S SO MUCH JOY IN TEASING YOU.

I MEAN, YOUR-YOUR FAMILY'S ALREADY MADE A PROMISE, AND YOU'VE EVEN ACCEPTED THE ENGAGEMENT RING!

WHAT, THIS THING?

DIDN'T YOU NOTICE THAT I'M WEARING THIS ENGAGEMENT RING ON MY *RIGHT* HAND? IT MEANS THAT I *HAVEN'T* ACCEPTED IT YET!

SO, YOU REALLY THINK THIS RING IS A PROBLEM?

I DON'T WANT ANY OF THIS! THE RING, THE WEDDING... NONE OF IT!

HEY! I NEED THAT!!

WHAT?

?

IT'S PROBABLY NOT EVEN WORTH ANY-THING!

STUPID RING!

STUPID PIECE OF JUNK!

NO.. NOTRA, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!!

I GOT IT!

WHEN...WHEN DID THAT TROUBLE-MAKER GET HERE?!

I FINALLY GOT IT!

THE LEGENDARY RING...

...IS RIGHT HERE...

THAT'S NOT FAIR! YOU TRICKED ME!

I WASN'T TRYING TO TRICK YOU...

WHAT'S GOING ON? THAT LITTLE SCAMP...

CONFUSED

UH...

OH...

WHOOSH

WAIT A SECOND! THEN WHO *WERE* YOU TRYING TO FOOL?

HEH HEH HEH! WELL... I *WONDER* WHO...?

NOTRA, HOW LONG ARE YOU GONNA KEEP YANKING MY CHAIN?!

HUH?

WHAT'S THAT FLASH OF LIGHT?

ANGER

HMPH!

STOMP

THAT HOOLIGAN! HOW DID SHE DO THAT WITHOUT GETTING HURT?

Whoa!

THAT'S AMAZING!

WAS I TOO GULLIBLE? I CAN'T BELIEVE I FELL FOR THAT...

AT LEAST I KNOW WHERE THE RING IS . NOW!

SHOULD I GO BACK?

BRUSH BRUSH

HUH?

CREAK

EEEK!!!

YOU SURE ARE A *VERY* KIND PERSON. SOOOO, I GUESS I'LL JUST MOSEY.

OH... WELL, IT'S NOTHING AT ALL.

RUN.

RUN!

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SCRATCH SCRATCH

WAIT A SECOND!

YIKES!

AH! HA HA HA. HI?

HOW DID THIS GUY GET HERE?

THANK YOU!

I WAS *JUST THINKING* THAT THIS DOOR WAS TOO HEAVY FOR LITTLE OL' ME!

LISTEN, HAVE YOU, BY *ANY* CHANCE...

I guess my goose is cooked!

...SEEN SOME-ONE WITH A PART DOWN THE MIDDLE OF HER HAIR?

WITH TWO PIGTAILS? HAVE YOU SEEN A GIRL THAT LOOKS LIKE THAT?

HUH?

SWIVEL SWIVEL

A part down the middle...?

With two pigtails...?

HMM... I GUESS IT'S PRETTY HARD TO VISUALIZE WITH JUST WORDS?

HMMM

IS THIS GUY AN IDIOT OR WHAT?

WAIT, FORGET THAT! COME OVER HERE!

HUH?

SHE LOOKS SOMETHING LIKE *THIS*.

SCRIBBLE

.....

WHADDAYA THINK? YA THINK YOU'VE SEEN HER?

YEEE-OUCH!

POW

OWWWIE!

DO YOU HAVE *EYES* IN YOUR UGLY HEAD?!

LOOK CLOSER!

I'M SO CUTE AND ADORABLE, HOW COULD I EVER LOOK LIKE *THAT*?!

YOU GOT SOME ANGER ISSUES! WHY ARE YA HITTIN' ME FOR *NO GOOD REASON*?

HUH?

HEY!

HEY!!

HEE HEE... HEE...?

I FOUND YOU, YOU LITTLE MINX!!

WAIT-WAIT A SECOND. ARE YOU *REALLY* SAYING THAT I LOOK LIKE *THAT?*

I WAS JUST DRAWING FROM MY MEMORY, BUT *YOU'RE* THE ONE WHO GOT ALL UPSET AT SEEING YOUR PORTRAIT! NOW I *KNOW* IT'S YOU!

OH! WHAT DID I DO?! STUPID, STUPID!

HMM?

I THOUGHT I HEARD SOMETHING.

MAYBE I'M JUST LOSING MY MIND

SEARCHING

THIS IS SUCH A MADDENING PAIN IN THE BUTT.

I HAVE TO GO THROUGH *ALL THIS* JUST TO FIND THAT BRATTY GIRL.

KATANA, THAT OGRE, IS BEING TOO MUCH OF A TASKMASTER...

Humans?!!

Quest 5

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JUMP

IT SEEMS WE HAVE ARRIVED.

APPARENTLY SO...

WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU GUYS? WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?

WHAT'S HER NAME-- THAT LITTLE HAG-- SANG...*SHE* BEAT YOU GUYS UP...?

WRONG!!

WE WERE ATTACKED BY KATANA'S GANG!

THOSE GUYS... *AGAIN*?

I GUESS THEY GET A REAL KICK OUT OF IT.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

JUST *LOOK* AT US.

lick

YEAH, YOU GUYS ARE LICKING YOUR WOUNDS.

OH! I KNOW!

YEAH, IT HAPPENS ALL TOO OFTEN.

I'VE GOTTEN PRETTY USED TO IT. IT'S LIKE EXERCISE.

WIPE

THAT BONEHEAD KATANA' ALWAYS WHEN I'M *NOT* *AROUND!*

Hmph

ARE THEY REALLY *THAT* SCARED OF ME?

THINK WHATEVER YOU WANT...

WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?

SMIRK

DO YOU THINK THINGS WOULD'VE BEEN DIFFERENT IF YOU *HAD* BEEN AROUND?

IF YOU CAN, YOU SHOULD JUST AVOID KATANA AND HIS GANG.

DON'T KID YOURSELF! I'VE TOTALLY LOST MY PATIENCE THIS TIME... IF I GET MY HANDS ON THEM...!

Hmph.

HEY, TYRANNUS. IF YOU'VE GOT ANY BANDAGES LEFT OVER, GIVE THEM TO ME.

GROSS. WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH *THAT* SCRAGGLY SCRAP?

Thanks for the bandages, ♥ Tyrannus!

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CHEW CHEW

DID YOU JUST SAY SOMETHING, MORDICUS?

OH...NOTHING. FORGET IT...

HE'S DEFINITELY ONE WEIRD DUDE...

WHAT ABOUT THAT GOOD-FOR-NOTHING, SANG?

I DON'T KNOW. SHE MUST HAVE ESCAPED AT SOME POINT.

WHY? ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT HER OR SOMETHING?

UH...NO. I'M JUST CURIOUS.

IT'S BETTER THAT SHE'S GONE NOW.

SHE'S THE ONE THAT SET THEM OFF.

SHE'S PROBABLY HIDING IN A CAVE SOMEWHERE...

EEEE FFFF

STOMP STOMP

HELLLLL-LOOOO!

WE MEET AGAIN!

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WHA-WHAT? WHAT'S YOUR PROBLEM?!

HEH! WON'T YOU JUST HIDE ME FOR A MINUTE? C'MON!

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BOOM BOOM BOOM

STOP RIGHT THERE, YOU PIG-TAILED PRISS!

EEEK!

DOLLHOUSE

BOOM BOOM

BY ANY CHANCE, HAVE YOU SEEN A LITTLE GIRL? HER HAIR'S RED AND PARTED DOWN THE MIDDLE. AND TIED INTO TWO PIG-TAILS.
HUH?
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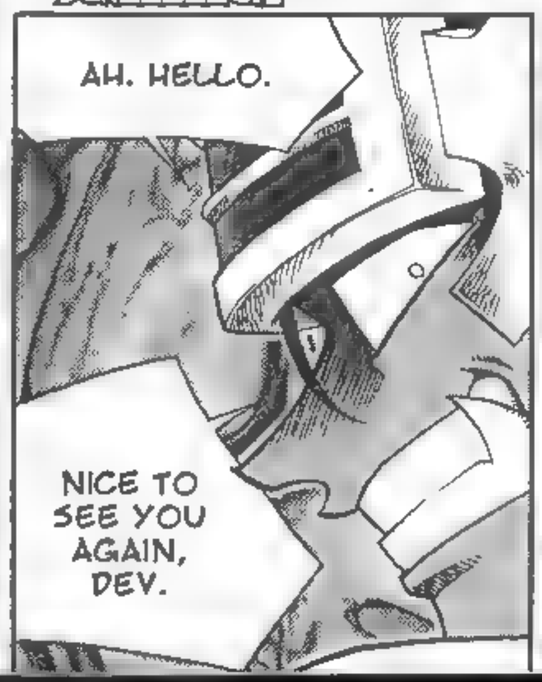
GOSH... THINGS ARE SO HARD TO DESCRIBE WITH WORDS...
WHAT'S IS WRONG WITH THIS GUY?

PSH!

ACK!


AH. HELLO.
NICE TO SEE YOU AGAIN, DEV.

WHAT IN HADES ARE YOU UP TO, HAMMER?

OKAY! SO...

SHE LOOKS SOMETHING... LIKE THIS...
I SAID I DON'T LOOK LIKE THAT!!

OW!
LOOK AT ME! HOW DO I LOOK LIKE THAT?!

HUH?
OOPS!

I FOUND YOU, YOU LITTLE MINX!

GET OFF ME!!

HEE HEE!

IS *THAT* THE BEST YOU CAN DO? HIDE BEHIND DEV?

Heh heh heh!

YOU'VE CHOSEN *VERY* POORLY. TRUST ME. HE CAN'T PROTECT YOU!

WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY, HAMMER?!

IF YOU SAID WHAT I *THINK* YOU SAID, THEN YOU'VE MADE A *BIG* MISTAKE!

HMPH!!

DO I REALLY NEED TO REPEAT MYSELF? YOU'RE NO MATCH FOR ME!

YOU JACKASS... ALL YOU'VE GOT IS A BIG MOUTH

UH...EXCUSE ME. IS DEV *REALLY* NO MATCH FOR HIM?

DID I CHOOSE THE WRONG GUY?

HA! HA!

HA HA HA HA! EVEN YOUR SO-CALLED FRIENDS DON'T HAVE ANY FAITH IN YOU!

DON'T KID YOURSELF! AND WHO SAYS *SHE'S* ON *MY* SIDE?

ANYWAY, IT'S A GOOD [illegible] OTHER! BUT HOW ABOUT LESS TALK, AND MORE FIGHTING? IT'S TIME TO AVENGE MY FRIENDS!

CRACK

FRIENDS?

THAT'S FUNNY.

WHO'S THAT?!

I FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE THAT A *DEMON* LIKE YOU, DEV, WOULD BEFRIEND MERE *BOGEYMANISH MONSTERS.*

SERIOUSLY, DEV, HAVE YOU *NO SHAME?*

KATANA, YOU SCOUNDREL!

WHAT ARE YOU BABBLING ABOUT?!

WELL, I JUST THINK YOUR "FRIENDS" ARE HOLDING YOU BACK. AFTER ALL, *THEY'RE* THE REASON YOU'RE ALWAYS CALLED A *DROP-OUT DEMON.*

OK

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

I DON'T LIKE HUMANS, EITHER

I'M GLAD WE UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER.

I don't necessarily hate them though.

FINE, THEN!

IT DOESN'T MATTER TO ME IF YOU CARE TO SURROUND YOURSELF WITH REMEDIAL MONSTERS

BUT... I INSIST THAT YOU HAND OVER THAT LITTLE RED-HAIRED RAT BEHIND YOU!

LET ME ASK YOU JUST *ONE THING*, DEV.

STOMP

YOUR FRIENDS THAT YOU SPEAK OF...

DOES THAT EVEN INCLUDE... *A HUMAN?*

WHAT?

YOU'RE...

...A HUMAN?

NOD NOD

UHHH...

That's why her head is so round

UM...EXCUSE ME. DO YOU THINK YOU COULD BITE ME ONE MORE TIME?

I THINK I'LL DECLINE.

LOOK, DEV. WE REALLY DON'T WANT ANY TROUBLE BETWEEN THE TWO OF US. NOTHING GOOD CAN COME OUT OF THAT.

WELL...NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, IT'S NOT *SO BAD* TO BE FRIENDS WITH HUMANS.

WHAT?!

EITHER WAY...

...I WON'T TAKE *ANY* ORDERS FROM *YOU!*

Quest 6

DEV, YOU TURNCOAT...DON'T YOU HAVE *ANY* DEMON PRIDE?

WHAT'S YOUR REASON FOR PROTECTING THIS HUMAN TRASH?

MIGHT EQUALS *RIGHT* AROUND HERE, YOU IMBECILE!

...

WHAT ABOUT YOU, NOTRA? ARE YOU ON DEV'S SIDE?

YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT, KATANA. I'VE *NEVER* TAKEN A HUMAN'S SIDE BEFORE.

I JUST DON'T WANNA LET *YOU* BOSS *ME* AROUND. IT'S NOT RIGHT.

LOOK, NOTRA, I KNOW YOU LIKE DEV.

THAT'S WHY WE'VE NEVER LAID SO MUCH AS A FINGER ON HIM BEFORE, BUT *THIS* TIME IT'S *DIFFERENT!*

DEV IS PROTECTING AN INTRUDER-- A FILTHY HUMAN!

THAT IS CLEARLY AN ACT OF ***BETRAYAL*** AGAINST US DEMONS!

DEV...THAT'S NOT IT...

NOTRA, JUST KEEP YOUR MOUTH SHUT!

KATANA, ARE YOU SAYING THAT THE ***ONLY*** REASON YOU NEVER MESSED WITH ME WAS BECAUSE OF ***NOTRA?***

WELL, THERE ***IS*** ANOTHER REASON. I CAN'T IGNORE THE FACT THAT YOU'RE MASTER FATALIS'S YOUNGER BROTHER!

HEH HEH

Is it just me, or is this situation... getting more and more tense?

THAT'S NOT TRUE!

WAIT!

FORGET FATALIS, KATANA. I DON'T NEED TO HIDE BEHIND HIM. I'M MY OWN DEMON.

I'LL KEEP THIS SHORT

IT'S JUST GONNA BE *ME* AGAINST *YOU.*

NO-HOLDS-BARRED. AND THERE'S ONLY GONNA BE *ONE* WINNER!

SMRK

AS YOU WISH

WE'LL NEED A LOT OF ROOM TO RUMBLE, DON'T YOU THINK?

WE CAN GO WHEREVER YOU LIKE!

DEV, ARE THOSE HORNS GROWING DOWNWARDS, INTO YOUR *BRAIN?*

EVEN THE TEACHERS ARE AMAZED BY KATANA'S SUPER-DEMON ABILITIES! HE'S THE MOST POWERFUL STUDENT IN OUR SCHOOL. IT'S BEEN THAT WAY EVER SINCE THE HADES SCHOOL FIRST OPENED ITS DOORS.

SHUT UP!

turning red with anger

I'M *TRYING* TO BE PATIENT, DEV, BUT YOU'RE OUT OF CONTROL!

OOPS! WAS THAT A LITTLE HARSH?

KO PAT

UM... EXCUUUUUSE ME.

I HAVE AN ITTY-BITTY QUESTION FOR YOU.

WHY DO I HAVE TO BE TIED UP LIKE THIS?

I GUESS I SHOULD JUST GET USED TO BEING TIED UP.

I CAN ONLY TOLERATE SO MUCH!

HOW DARE YOU TALK TO ME LIKE THAT?!

EEEK!

KACRACK

KACRACK

HA! FINALLY, THE DAY WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR! FINISH HIM, KATANA.

BECAUSE YOU MIGHT TRY TO ESCAPE DURING OUR FIGHT. JUST LIKE LAST TIME.

HMPH

HEY, DEV, ARE YOU ABOUT FINISHED GETTING READY?

I WAS BORN READY!

WHAT? DON'T LOOK AT ME LIKE THAT...

...

HMMM... A BATTLE BETWEEN DEMONS... I WONDER HOW DEMONS FIGHT.

I MIGHT ACTUALLY LEARN SOMETHING FROM THIS.

DO WHATEVER YOU WANT!

I DON'T *CARE* WHAT HAPPENS ANYMORE!

SMACK

CLENCH

HIII-YAAA!

WHOOOSH

A FIST FIGHT...? THE FIGHTING STYLE OF BARBARIANS!

YOUR MAGICAL POWERS ARE *WEAK* BECAUSE YOUR HORNS ARE SO STUNTED ..

IT'S TIME I TAUGHT YOU A FEW TRICKS!

HERE'S HOW *TRUE* DEMONS FIGHT!

CRACKLE

FWOOM

JUST WORRY ABOUT YOURSELF, KATANA! I'LL BE FINE!

TAK

OK

WHOA!

CRAAAK

KATANA, ARE YOU TRYING TO KILL ME?

HUH?

DEV! BEHIND YOU!!

YES. THAT'S THE GENERAL IDEA.

LIGHTNING TORNADO!

AAAAAH!!

THIS IS TOO EASY!

SLUMP

Is lightning his specialty? And he doesn't even need to use a magical scroll before summoning it...

Quest 7

CAN WE ALL CONCLUDE THAT I AM THE WINNER?

PANT

HEH HEH! THAT FELT PRETTY GOOD. LIKE A NICE HORNRUB. WHY DON'T YOU TRY IT ONE MORE TIME?

Did his horns get a little bigger?

IS *THAT* ALL YOU GOT, KATANA? I THOUGHT YOU PACKED A BIGGER PUNCH.

WHY ARE YOU JUST STANDING THERE? I *THOUGHT* YOU WANTED TO KILL ME.

IF THAT'S THE CASE...

EK

...THEN I BETTER STAY ON MY TOES!

JUMP

Unbelievable. I've never met a single opponent who could withstand my Lightning Tornado.

Was Dev always that strong?

Now that I think about it, this is actually the first time I've ever seen Dev in a real fight.

SWOOSH

GRRR!

HMPH! DUCKING SEEMS TO BE YOUR SPECIALTY!

SKID

WELL, YOU'RE ABOUT TO GET A LOT HOTTER!

YOU THINK YOU'RE HOT STUFF NOW, HUH?

ZAP

AAARGH!

DEV!

SMOLDER

YOU'RE ONE TENACIOUS SON-OF-A-SATAN... YOU'RE THE FIRST GUY TO *EVER* MAKE ME USE MY POWERS *TWICE*.

STEP STEP

IF YOU CAN GET UP AGAIN, *MAYBE* I'LL LET *YOU* WIN.

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THANKS, BUT I DON'T NEED YOUR PITY!

POW

SLAM

SMACK

OOF!

GOODBYE, KATANA!

DAMMIT!

...!!!

EEEK!!

SHOVE

pant

huff

cough

cough

cough

IT'S OVER!

slump

DAMN, IT'S LIKE SPANKING A BABY.

I CAN'T BELIEVE *YOU'RE* THE ARCH-DEMON'S YOUNGER BROTHER.

HEY, YOU JERK! OF ALL PLACES, WHY'D YOU HAVE TO THROW HIM ON ME?!

THAT REALLY HURT!

COUGH COUGH

SHUT UP! HUMAN SOW.

IF YOU WANT TO DIE, I'LL KILL YOU RIGHT NOW.

I'M NOT WORRIED. DEV'S MY HERO. HE'LL PROTECT ME.

RIGHT?

OOOOOOH! AREN'T *YOU* SCARY!

WHO'S A BIG SCARY MONSTER? YES, *YOOOUUU* ARE.

ROBBFT

WHO'S YOUR HERO?!

AND WHY WOULD I PROTECT *YOU*?!

sits straight up

NO WAY.

I GOTTA ADMIT.

THAT ONE STUNG...A LITTLE.

DAMMIT! HOW CAN YOU STILL BE ON YOUR FEET?!

UGH!

STAY DOWN!

GRRRRR!

파직 crackle

SMACK

He-He caught it?

HIS HORNS...

GOT EVEN BIGGER?!

GRUNT!

CRUSH

And the destroyed it, too?

WHAT HAPPENED, KATANA?

YOU'RE STARTING TO THROW SPELLS LIKE A BABY PIXIE. ARE YOU GETTING TIRED?

WHAT'S HIS PROBLEM? MAGGOT.

I'M...

...GONNA KILL YOU!

I'LL GRIND YOU INTO DUST!

SWISH

AAAAARGH!

Pixie?

Impossible! It summoned twice the power!

DUST TO DUST, ASHES TO ASHES, HUH?

FITTING LAST WORDS FOR SOMEONE *ABOUT TO DIE*, KATANA!

WHO'S THAT?

ISN'T HE THAT SCRAWNY GUY I SAW EARLIER?

HE LOOKS HORRIBLE! WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM?

NOBODY'S GONNA DIE!

THOSE FOOLS... IT'S A CRIME FOR DEMONS TO KILL ONE ANOTHER

KA-KATANA! SAVE ME...

HMMM... IS THIS THE TRUE NATURE OF THE DEMON?

EVEN IF YOU TEACH UNITY IN THE CLASSROOM, I GUESS DEMONS ARE STILL HELL-BENT ON FIGHTING.

BUT I NEVER WOULD HAVE PREDICTED THIS OUTCOME...

HUH?

DUMMY! LOOK BEHIND YOU!

HUH?

AAAAAAAAAAAARGH!

CRACK

CHRIS!

THIS IS THE DEMON SCHOOL HADES, I PRESUME?

TRY NOT TO CAUSE *TOO MUCH* OF A DISTURBANCE, HENDUH KHYUNG.

OH, DEAR. I REALLY SHOULD WATCH THAT TEMPER OF MINE.

OH! OH MY MEPHISTOPH-ELES. HIS HORNS!

A DEMON'S HORNS AREN'T *THAT EASY* TO BREAK OFF...

HAMMER?

WHAT IN HADES...?! ARE THOSE HUMANS?

WHAT IN THE WORLD...?

WHAT'S GOING ON?

HMM?

CHRIS...

YOU'RE *NOT DEAD*, RIGHT?

YOU'RE... YOU'RE JUST *PLAYING DEAD*, RIGHT?

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KNEEL

FILTHY HUMAN SCUM...

HAMMER! NO!! STOP IT!!

HE-HE WAS A PAIN IN THE BUTT SOMETIMES...BUT HE WAS *STILL* A GOOD GUY...

WHAT A *WASTE* OF A LIFE...

SMIRK

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I DIDN'T KNOW THAT FRIENDSHIPS EXISTED BETWEEN DEMONS. THIS IS *VERY* FASCINATING.

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FREEZE

I'M GONNA RIP YOU APART!!

HMPH. FOOL.

Why. Why am I shaking like this? I shouldn't quake before a mere human!

TREMBLE TREMBLE

SMACK

UGH!

TWITCH

NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT...

...MY QUESTION *STILL* HASN'T BEEN ANSWERED.

FURNISHING NO REPLY WILL RESULT *IN DEATH.*

DEV!!

WHAT?

KATANA'S GONNA NEED SOME HELP! BESIDES, THREE HORNS ARE BETTER THAN ONE.

SHIVER

TAKE NOTRA AND THE OTHERS TO THE MAHGAE! AND GO GET THE TEACHERS!

WHAT...? WHAT ABOUT YOU...?

I'LL BUY YOU TIME TO ESCAPE! GO!

...

HEY, MORDICUS. YOU HEARD HIM. DO AS HE SAYS.

WHAT-WHAT ABOUT YOU?

YOU MIGHT BE KILLED! IT'S BETTER TO ALL FIGHT TOGETHER!

...

DON'T TRY TO PLAY HERO! IT'S BETTER TO GO AND GET THE TEACHERS!

BUT... BUT...

NO "BUTS"! LET'S GO!

HUH?

WHEN DID YOU GET OUT OF THE ROPES?

WE DON'T HAVE TIME FOR THAT!

LUKAN! TYRANNUS! C'MON, YOU GUYS!

GASP!

WITHOUT MY PERMISSION, YOU SHALL *NOT* PASS.

HMPH! LUKAN! TYRANNUS!

Who do yo think you are bossing every one around™

And why are they be ng so obed ent?

DAFT DEMONS.

SHOOM

TYRANNUS!

LUKAN!

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THUNDER WIND!

WHOA!

CRACKLE

KATANA, BY ANY CHANCE, WERE YOU THINKING OF USING THESE POWERS AGAINST *ME*, TOO?

DON'T MAKE ME TALK! YOU'RE RUINING MY CONCENTRATION!

HA! THAT'S PRETTY GOOD... FOR AN *ACOLYTE* DEMON...

Acolyte?

YOU HAVE NO IDEA OF MY POWER, HUMAN!

FWOOOM

CRA-KOOM

UH THAT'S *AMAZING* THAT BLAST ALMOST SHATTERED *MY* BONES!

SO.. DID YOU ■ANT TO USE *THAT* AGAINST ME, TOO?

DON'T TALK IN THE PAST TENSE! THE NEXT ONE VERY WELL *MIGHT* BE FOR YOU!

HEY, HEY!

UNFORTUNATELY FOR YOU, THERE MAY NOT *BE* A NEXT TIME.

AHHHHHH!

DEV?!

SLUMP

ONLY TWO *LADIES* LEFT NOW.

That twisted beast! He got here faster than I'll expected.

Quest 9

WOULD YOU TWO LADIES LIKE TO DANCE?

LET ME ASK YOU A QUESTION.

I WILL GIVE A SPECIAL PRIZE TO THE ONE WHO ANSWERS ME FIRST.

A PRIZE...?

WHAT WOULD *THAT* BE?

I'LL LET YOU LIVE A *LITTLE LONGER* THAN THE ONE WHO *DOESN'T* ANSWER ME.

DEV!!

THERE ARE MORE THAN TWO OF THEM LEFT.

I DON'T SEE THAT LITTLE VAMPIRE GUY ANYWHERE.

WHAT IF *BOTH OF US* CAN'T ANSWER THE QUESTION...?

THEN YOU'LL SHARE A QUICK TRIP TO THE SAME GRAVE.

OH, WELL...

STOP STALLING!

SMACk

OW!!

IT SEEMS LIKE SHE'S TRYING TO BUY SOME TIME SO THAT LITTLE BAT-BRAINED VAMPIRE CAN GET TO THE MAHGAE.

SO, KHYUNG, WOULD YOU PLEASE STOP HUMORING THEM?!

Dammit! Did they catch on?

He was our last hope!

EX-EXCUSE ME. DO YOU THINK I COULD ASK *YOU* SOMETHING?

IF YOU KEEP IT SHORT... LIKE YOUR LIFE.

I TRUST THAT YOU CAN FINISH WHAT YOU'VE STARTED?

OH, YES. LEAVE EVERYTHING TO ME.

SO...SHALL I GO AHEAD AND ASK MY QUESTION?

Go ahead!

As soon as I hear the question, I'll give you an answer you won't forget!!

...

TWIRL

VANISH

Damn! This is horrible. I was afraid this would happen

HA HA!

MWHA-HA!

HA HA HA!

HAVE YOU HEARD OF SATAN'S RING?

SOME CALL IT THE KING'S RING.

SATAN'S... RING?

COULD THIS BE...

HUH?

AAAAAH!

GRAB

JUMP

EUREKA!

NOTRA! LET'S MOVE!

FLYING MAGIC?!

SAUCY LITTLE THING!!

KATAKAN

DAMN...

JUST A LITTLE FURTHER...

JUST HOLD ON A LITTLE LONGER.

WHISTLE

ONCE I GET TO THE MAHGAE, I'LL DO WHATEVER I CAN...

THE TEACHERS WILL KNOW WHAT TO DO!

!!

SCREEEEECH

THAT'S... THAT'S NOT POSSIBLE!

HOW DID SHE GET HERE ALREADY?

THIS IS AS FAR AS YOU'RE GOING.

YOU'RE MAKING ME BATTY!

IT'S USELESS TO RESIST.

SCREE

twirl

FOOM

FLUTTER FLUTTER

UGH!

I DON'T KNOW IF YOU WERE TRYING TO FLEE TO THE MAHGAE FOR HELP...

...BUT, IN THE END, YOU'VE ACTUALLY ASSISTED *ME*.

WHAT?

WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?

IF YOU *INSIST* ON KNOWING, SHALL I SAY THAT YOU'VE LED THIS HORSE TO THE PERFECT WATERING HOLE? AND I *DO* INTEND TO DRINK.

IN THE REDLANDS, THERE ARE SIX ENTRANCES INTO THE MAHGAE!

ONE ENTRANCE IS THROUGH THE DEMON SCHOOL HADES.

MY MISSION...

...IS TO DESTROY THAT ENTRANCE!

That... That's impossible!!

Quest 10

NOW, I GUESS I SHALL BEGIN.

OH, BOY. WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?

TEA- TEACHER FATALIS...

ARE *YOU* THE ONE WHO DID THIS TO MY DISCIPLE?

WHOOSH

STOMP

YOU...CAN FLY...? ARE YOU A WITCH?

WE'RE STILL IN DANGER!

SLIP

FWOOSH

IF WE'RE NOT CAREFUL, THERE WILL BE *A LOT* OF CASUALTIES!

YOU KNOW HOW TO GET TO THE MAHGAE'S ENTRANCE, RIGHT?

HURRY UP AND SHOW ME THE WAY!

HUH? O-OKAY.

WAIT! BEFORE WE DO THAT...

YOU SAID WE'RE IN A HURRY! WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

...THERE'S SOMETHING IMPORTANT I NEED TO TAKE CARE OF!

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STOMP

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STOMP

CLARE

YOU MUST REALLY WANT TO DIE, YOU LITTLE BRAT!

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SHAKE SHAKE

HMPH

NYAH NYAH! NOW WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?

YOU KNOW WHAT THEY SAY! A DOG THAT CHASES A BIRD ENDS UP LOOKING AT THE ROOF! SAY, "BOW WOW!"

ALL RIGHT! LET'S GO!

THAT'S WHAT WAS SO IMPORTANT...?

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엄마리 꼴리리

NYAH NYAH!

어버버버버!

Stomp stomp

SHAKE SHAKE

GRIND GRIND

GLASP

WHY AM I SO UPSET? THIS IS ACTUALLY WHAT I *WANTED* TO HAPPEN.

EVERY-THING IS FINE. IT'S ALL GOING ACCORDING TO PLAN.

IN FACT, I SHOULD *THANK* THEM!

THE BLOODFEST BEGINS *NOW!*

WHACK!

WHOOSH

WHOOSH

WIND OF DRAGON WINGS!

CRACK

THE-THE WIND IS SO STRONG THAT IT'S EVEN BREAKING THE ROCKS!

MORDICUS! WHAT IN BLUE BLAZES IS HAPPENING?

WHAT?

I NEED TO KNOW WHAT OUR PRESENT SITUATION IS.

GIVE ME A BRIEF REPORT!

WHEN... WHEN I LEFT, THE LAST THING I SAW...WAS MOST LIKELY DEV'S LAST STAND...

UH...WELL... THAT'S...

TWO HUMANS APPEARED OUT OF NOWHERE AND STARTED KILLING THE STUDENTS!

EXCEPT FOR MYSELF, NOTRA, AND... SANG, SIX OTHERS HAVE DIED AT THEIR HANDS!

D-DOES THAT INCLUDE...DEV?

SCHUCK

IDENTIFY YOURSELF, INTRUDER!

YOU'RE TRESPASSING ON DEMON TERRITORY! AND YOU'RE KILLING MY INNOCENT STUDENTS! AND NOW...

...YOU WILL PAY THAT BACK WITH YOUR DEATH!

An incredible, overpowering force... If I was a normal human being, I would be paralyzed right now.

A Great Demon? Not quite—But he is a Demon Lord with dormant powers!

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IF YOU THINK YOU CAN DO IT, BE MY GUEST.

WHIRL

STOP

SLICE

CLAP

AHHH!

What?!

THAT... THAT WAS AMAZING! INCREDIBLE, MASTER FATALIS!

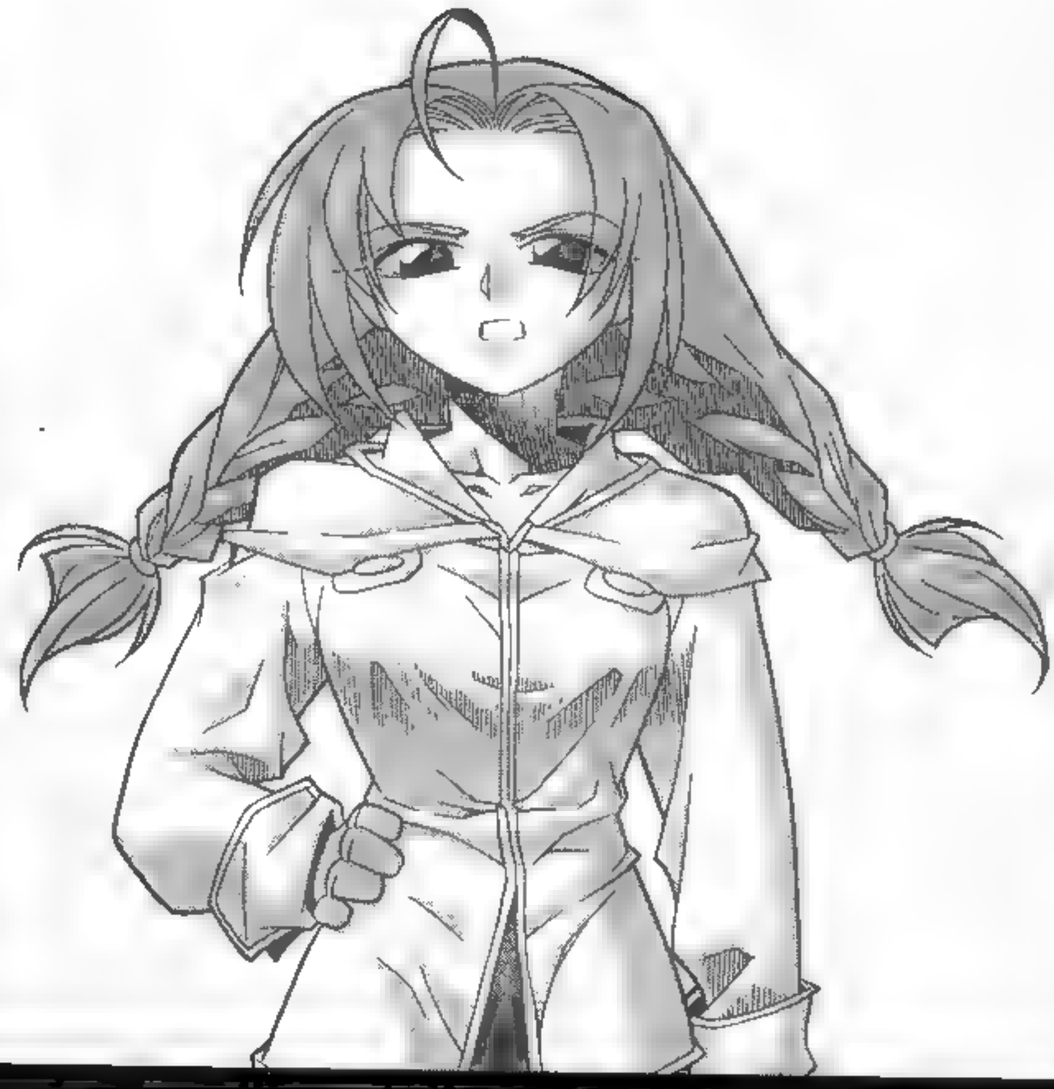
IT'S NOT OVER YET.

HEH HEH HEH!

Madosa Guild?

I'M AFRAID I'M *REALLY* GOING TO HAVE TO DEAL WITH YOU NOW.

AFTER ALL, THE HONOR OF THE MADOSA GUILD IS AT STAKE!



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Greetings, beloved readers! It is my great honor and privilege to chronicle Sang's exciting adventures! As with many tales and legends, this one has been handed down through the ages. With the passage of time, however, many such tales are slightly altered. For example, the Romans called the Greek god Zeus, the supreme ruler of Mount Olympus, "Jupiter." Similarly, a few characters featured in "PhD" have undergone some name changes, and the next few pages will explain these alterations. Oh, and speaking of "Olympus," in some faraway lands, "PhD: Phantasy Degree" is called "Master School Olympus." What and where is this Master School Olympus, you ask? Well, keep following Sang's quest and you will eventually find out! Safe journeys!

- Paul Morrissey, Editor

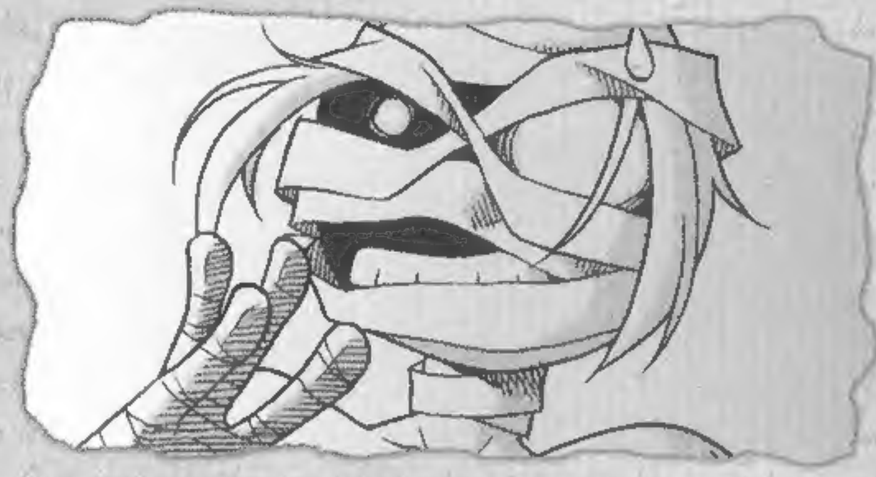
Dev and Fatalis

In some circles (or is that pentagrams?), Dev was originally known as "Des." So, why call him Dev? Well, in Persian mythology, "Dev" is a ruthless demon of incredible power. Of course, Dev's brother, Fatalis, is probably the most powerful demon in Hades. In some translations, Fatalis is known rather plainly as "Deadly." But if you know Latin, you'd realize that Fatalis is the perfect name change, since it actually means "deadly" or "fatal."

Mordicus

In Latin, Mordicus means "with teeth" or "biting." What a perfectly fitting name for a vampire! It's, arguably creepier and more menacing than his original name, "Hyo."

Pannus Tyrannus



We can't keep Pannus Tyrannus' original name under wraps any longer. It was simply "Tyrant." Again, Latin comes to the renaming rescue. Pannus means "rag" or "piece of cloth" and Tyrannus is Latin for--you guessed it--"tyrant."

Lukan

In some packs, Lukan is known as "Hook." In the West, however, "Hook" evokes a certain Pirate Captain in search of Peter Pan and the Lost Boys. Perhaps some would refer to him as "Fang," but in this version of Sang's adventures, he is known as Lukan. If your Latin is rusty, maybe you should try your Greek. Lukan is short for "lukanthropos," which means wolf.

Henduh Khyung

This menacing villain's name is often translated as "Henduh Kyung." Granted, adding the "h" is a very subtle change, but it gives the character some interesting depth. In Korean, the word "Khyung" is used as a term of nobility, similar to "Lord" or "Sir." Interestingly, the Khyung is also a mythical, magical Tibetan bird. Speaking of magic, Khyung is a member of the Madosa Guild--and in Korean, the word "Madosa" refers to wizards and magic users.